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Some good meetings have recently been held in the Western part of the State.

Notes From Alabama. Elder D. O Baird reports good success at Reform and Gordo, where he has recently closed revival meetings, and in which he was aided by Elder M. M. Wood, of Fayette.

The churches at Carrollton, Pickensville and Gorden, of which the writer is pastor, have held meetings with good results. The Holy Spirit helped both preacher and people mightily in all these meetings. Among many good things done at Carrollton, where the church numbers less than sixty members, was giving more than \$35.00 to ministerial education last Sunday. The Lord is with us.

H. M. LONG.
Carrollton, Ala., Oct. 31, 1903.

This institution for colored people, under the management of The Home Mission Society, New York, with Dr. Luther G. Barrett as president, opened the present session in its new buildings, on October 7th. The attendance is much larger than formerly, almost twice as large. The buildings are nearing completion and are quite handsome. About \$2,600 are invested in the furnishings alone. The dedication of these splendid, new buildings will occur on Nov. 21, 22. Dr. H. L. Moorehouse, Corresponding Secretary, New York, Dr. Alexander Turnbull, assistant Secretary, and Dr. Jesse B. Thomas, Dist. Secretary, Chicago, will be present and participate in the dedicatory exercises. This institution owns a fine body of land, containing 100 acres. President Barrett deserves more credit for the great work this institution is doing than the world generally knows.

Blue Mountain. Dr. R. H. Graves who with his wife is spending sometime at Blue Mountain, preached last night a most excellent sermon. Three young ladies were received for baptism. The week before one was received for baptism. There seems to be a good interest among the unconverted. We are expecting and having conversions at the regular services.

We feel ourselves happy in having Bro. and Sister Graves with us. Their very presence is a blessing to our church and community, and their work is always spiritually helpful. Truly their consecrated lives have counted for much in the service of our Lord. May they be given yet many years to the service which they love so well and in which they have been so signally blessed. Besides these veteran missionaries we have with us Bro. Chastain's daughter from Mexico, Bro. Taylor's two daughters from

Brazil, and Bro. Lumbley's son from Africa. We esteem it a great privilege to have with us these children of our devoted missionaries. Bro. Chastain's daughter and Bro. Lumbley's son are members of our church.

Let every Christian interested in Blue Mountain (and who is not?) pray for the work here.

J. N. McMILLIN.

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Dr. P. S. Henson, recently called to the pastorate of the Tremont Temple Church, Boston, is seventy-two

Dr. Henson. years of age. And even at this advanced age there is no man anywhere of any age more sought by the churches than he. In his case at least he has removed the ministerial deadline from fifty to seventy. It is true, that he is an extraordinary man, both as to native endowment and culture. Apart from, and additional to, his good advantages in collegiate training in both Richmond College and the University of Virginia, his advantages in the pastorate have been exceptional, having served the Broad Street and the Memorial Churches, of Philadelphia, the First Church of Chicago and Hanson Place Church, Brooklyn. These places afforded ample salaries, fine intellectual and social advantages as well as almost illimitable fields for experimental knowledge along various lines. It appears that he has had no theological training in the technical sense of the word; and yet, who ever heard him, that did not acknowledge himself in the presence of a theological giant. Of course, most men are debarred from acquiring and maintaining the eminent position which he has attained. But every man called of God to preach the gospel desires to make his measure of usefulness the largest possible. To do this, it would seem a wise thing for each one to acquaint himself with the striking characteristics of some human model, like Dr. Henson, for example. We would point out three of these strong elements, as they have appeared to us in Dr. Henson: 1. He has ever been a staunch believer in the sufficiency of the Bible, as a "rule of faith and practice," among Baptists. He has been content to accept it as it is, always seeking, as every lover of truth does, improvement in its translation. And, though he was for several years in the storm center of "higher criticism," he has come through it all, and today, enjoys unquestioned orthodoxy. 2. He has not allowed himself to fossilize in thought and feeling, but keeps in close, responsive touch with the thought and sentiment of the times and places where he lives. 3. He possesses the ability of keeping abreast

with modern scientific and literary investigation and development and at the same time of holding daily, spiritual communion with God, keeping himself on such intimate terms with God, as that he stands before Him always as a child in docility. Possibly, this, in this age, is one of the greatest Christian accomplishments.

I have just returned from the meeting of the general association which met with New Home Church, 8 miles northeast of Summerland, in Smith County. There were gathered together in that meeting messengers from 65 or 70 churches and six associations. The reports from the several churches and associations showed good progress, showing an increase in contributions for missions over last year of \$1,056.57. This being an advance of more than 75 per cent. Then we see that our general association brethren are keeping pace with our convention brethren in their progress in the Lord's work.

Two of the most conspicuous figures in the association are Revs. N. L. Clark and Wm. Thigpen. Bro. Clark was re-elected president of the association. The profound respect that the brethren have for the venerable man makes it easy for him to preside over that body. There are few men like Bro. Clark. He is in his 92nd year, has been preaching almost 3 score and 10; has been pastor of one church, (Decatur church), 56 years, and of Newton church 34. During all this time, he has won and held the utmost love and respect of the passing generation, both white and black. May God give us many such men to bless our land.

The Orphanage received no little part of the consideration of this body. Many were the evidences of an abiding interest in us and our work, and many were the promises from the parties of substantial help from their fields. The reports from several churches showed that the Orphanage had been remembered.

Bro. Rowe was there with his characteristic earnestness and good cheer. At 11 o'clock Sunday, he preached one of his great sermons, which was enjoyed by a great concourse of people.

The brethren are turning their attention more and more to the destitution in Southeast Mississippi. This is as it should be. There is no section in our State that is making greater proportionate progress in material things than this densely timbered section. The General association brethren are wise in their efforts to see that the religious progress keeps pace with the material. May the Lord bless them in their effort.

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Another Season Past.

In the rapid rush of events another associational season has passed. In almost every respect it has been one of the most satisfactory we have ever passed through. In the main the attendance has been above the average, both in numbers and in intelligence. Many of the strongest laymen have thought these gatherings worth their presence and best thought. Also the attendance of ladies has been large.

The interest manifested by all has been beautiful and is certainly prophetic of better things in Zion. Our people are growing in general denominational knowledge, and we think also in grace. Of course, knowledge of our work and its needs is necessary to interest and activity. We need not expect our people to become liberal and cheerful supporters of our denominational enterprises until they become a reading people, first of the Word, and then of our denominational literature, both in books and papers. But it is gratifying to note the general improvement and advancement apparent in the people who constitute these great associational gatherings. It is true that occasionally one will meet a Mississippi Baptist who does not know what position Dr. Rowe or Dr. Lowrey holds in our denominational work, but instances of this kind are quite rare, and always where THE BAPTIST is not read.

Another feature most delightful to look upon is the beautiful harmony prevalent in all these gatherings. This characteristic has been considered worthy of remark all along down the ages, wherever it has been observed among God's people. In the old Book of Psalms the sweet singer of Israel held how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity. The present harmonious relations running all through our denominational work are not without great value and advantage to us as a denomination. They not only render these meeting pleasant and delightful in a high degree, but

their presence renders God's people efficient in a high degree.

And then the co-operative feature is an element of great strength and success. Without this most of our energies would be dissipated and squandered. Combination and concentration are always necessary to victory and conquest. No army can hope to succeed without organization and discipline. No more can God's hosts succeed without these things.

The reflection that this state of things could not exist without mutual confidence as a basis, is full of comfort and rejoicing. All the enterprises fostered by us are in prosperity: Missions, the College, the Orphanage and the Paper. All of these are striving to be mutually helpful to all the rest. The men, whom the denomination has placed at the heads of these various departments of our work are all personally on the best of terms with each other, each always glad to do a service for the other. There is no jealousy or bickerings among them. And then the most pleasant relations exist between these and the brotherhood generally. All these things are clearly seen in our associational meetings. But the one thing that has pleased us above all others, as we have attended these bodies, is the perceptible growth in missions. One's attitude towards missions is evidently the thermometer that indicates his real spiritual temperature; for missions was the Spirit of Christ; "and, if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his." No close observer can attend these annual gatherings without being impressed with the growth of the Spirit of missions.

Thanking God for the measure of prosperity which has attended our efforts during the closing year, we cheerfully turn our faces to the new associational year expecting to witness the largest year's work Mississippi Baptists have ever done.

Union Association, La.

This body met in its 10th session on Saturday, Oct. 24th, with the Kentwood Baptist Church. Rev. R. H. Purser, of Brookhaven, is pastor, but closes his work with them with this year. Bro. R. M. Boone, of Hammond, La., has been called to succeed Bro. Purser. This body is not only young and vigorous, but aggressive, along all lines of work fostered by our denomination. In the absence of Secretary Ware, Bro. R. M. Boone represented State Mission work. It was a pleasure to meet our old friend and college mate, Rev. J. T. Barrett, of Lake Charles, La. He was there in the interest of the Louisiana Baptist Orphanage. The buildings are completed and about 50 children already there. Dr. Barrett has done a great work for the orphans of Louisiana. While at Kentwood he preached a strong sermon on "God as Mother." The sermon was unique, but the points were well made.

While there we made the acquaintance of Bro. Lee, Col. Amaker and others. The church seems to be progressive and prosperous, partaking of the spirit of the splendid little town. Our home with

our children J. P. Tull and wife, where in company with the elder Bro. Tull we spent two days most pleasantly.

Jeffersonian Simplicity.

Thos. Jefferson, third President of these United States, was skeptical of the science of medicine, believing in permitting nature to re-establish order in the system when any function was deranged, and discussed the subject frequently, with the same interest and earnestness that he did theology and politics.

"I believe," he said, "that there are certain substances by which applied to the living body, either internally or externally or both, nature can be assisted, and by such assistance accomplish in a short time what Nature otherwise would do slowly."

The Vitæ Ore remedy, with which the readers of this publication are largely familiar, is offered by its discoverer and proprietors as an aid to Nature, to assist in the natural healing and recuperating processes. It is itself a product of Nature, a geological discovery, mined from the ground as are gold and silver, different from anything which has ever been offered of a remedial character, and as such should commend itself to even those most prejudiced against the use of advertised treatments. It contains in its composition free iron, sulphur and magnesium, elements ideally calculated, to, as Jefferson says, to "assist nature." The fair and liberal offer to send one month's treatment on trial, made in these columns by the proprietors (Theo. Noel Co., Chicago), is certainly most deserving of consideration.

The following from *Young People* is well worth reading:

"When Paul said, 'I know that ye shall see my face no more,' he touched a chord that vibrates with the deepest emotions of the heart. Even inanimate things to which we have long been accustomed become dear to us. An old soldier was telling about the days when he went away from home as a soldier boy. Lifting his arm and pointing to the mountains that surround his native village he said, 'Before I went I felt that I might never see these old hills again, and I came up here to this quiet spot and uncovered my head and bade them good-bye.'

"Said an elderly man, 'Nothing is more vivid in my memory than the story told me by mother, when I was a child, about the departure of her brother's family in an emigrant wagon for Michigan in the pioneer days, and the feeling she had that she should see their faces no more.' It is probable that the missionaries who return to foreign countries have no greater cross to bear than to see their children fade from view as the ship sails away.

"There must be parting of friends here by circumstances, duty, and at last by death, but our faces should ever be toward the light, our feet resolutely in the way of service. And since these times are to come, one special thought should always be in our hearts: to be very true and helpful to those around us while we are to-

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gether. Not an unkind word, not a thoughtless act, no neglect of tender ministrations, but cheerful, fraternal good will and mutual service. That, you see, is a very different thing from living in gloomy apprehension of separation. If the time of parting is long in coming, it means a long time of happy, united service, and when the parting comes at last it leaves with those that remain a memory that is both an inspiration and a power."

"Beside the pathway of youth stands a smiling error whose endeavor is to persuade young people to taste the joys of life before they settle down into a respectable but monotonous existence. It is amazing how many are deceived by him, for his best disguise is 'thin and tawdry,' and all experience shows how false his message is. The true joys of life for those who regard all of God's laws, physical, mental, and spiritual. Righteousness is the zest of life. Those who complain that life is not worth living are those who have perverted and wasted it. True happiness springs from faith in God, love to men, the vision that sees God in his world; from true home relationships, the appreciation of what is really good, true, and beautiful. These joys spring from a source which is the fountain of life itself."

Casting around for something for our temperance column, we can think of nothing better than the article from the facile pen of our esteemed brother, B. G. Lowrey, which appeared in these columns last November. So we reprint it on the temperance page. We also put with it a recent article from him which is brim full of good sense. These articles will repay a careful reading. The "jug" business ought to cease. It is nothing like as bad as the open saloon, but it is entirely too bad to be tolerated by Christian people, and should receive their unqualified condemnation.

Some of our educated men scattered over the State have fallen into the unjustifiable habit of referring to the Apostle Paul and others mentioned in the Scriptures as "Saints." It would be altogether as proper to say Saint Venable.

Should Preachers Officiate in the Remarriage of Divorced Persons?

The case of Dr. Quincy Ewing and Rev. Mr. Morris, Episcopal clergymen, is interesting to all Christians. It seems that Mr. Morris put away his wife for other causes than adultery. After living separate for awhile, the divorced woman was married to another man. The divorcing clergyman, regarding himself as released from all matrimonial ties, took unto himself another wife. Dr. Ewing performed the marriage ceremony under the sanction of Bishop Thompson, of Mississippi, now deceased. Dr. Ewing has been called to a church in Birmingham, Alabama, and has accepted the invitation to the rectorship. Bishop Beckwith, of that State, has denied Dr. Ewing the right to serve as rector, because he officiated in the marriage of a di-

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vorced clergyman while the woman who had been put away was living and had become the wife of another man. It is said by the friends of Dr. Ewing that the Bishop of Alabama is not in possession of all the facts, and that the case will be appealed and further information sought from the present Bishop of Mississippi.

The interest which other Christians have in the case is not only concerning the decision which the Episcopal Bishops may reach, but also and chiefly as to what the Scriptures teach and warrant. This case is set down here fully and minutely solely in order to state some interpretations and inferences which concern all Christians.

Only two things can break the matrimonial chain which binds man and wife—death and adultery, which is virtual death to this relation.

Either companion who puts away the other for any other cause than adultery and marries another while the divorced one lives and remains unmarried is guilty of adultery. The authority of Jesus Christ is supreme and final. He says in Matt. 19:9—"Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery; and whoso marries her which is put away doth commit adultery."

This clearly implies that the companion who puts away the other for adultery and marries another even while the divorced one is living is not guilty of that sin. Infidelity to the marriage relation severs the matrimonial bond, and the innocent companion is as free to marry again as if the guilty one were dead. If the remarriage be justifiable, it cannot be wrong for the preacher to officiate in it.

When one companion puts away another for adultery and other causes, and seeks divorce before the civil courts from the bonds of matrimony, he should insert adultery in his plea as one of the grounds upon which the divorce is sought. Then, no minister of Christ would hesitate to perform the ceremony in his second marriage, and no one would question its propriety.

Jesus does not teach that in case of adultery the innocent companion must put away the guilty one, but that he may do so. It would seem to be a fair conclusion that if the wronged husband prefers to live with his wife who has erred, either forgiving or enduring her offense, he would not be justifiable in putting her away afterward for the old sin under some other provocation and different. If sexual intercourse break the bond, it would seem that it should also mend it.

Jesus says nothing directly as to whether the guilty party has a moral right to marry again, but his words seem to imply that she may, upon repentance verified by unquestionable reformation. "Whoso marrieth her which is put away, (except for adultery, the connection compels us to understand), doth commit adultery." Then, may a divorced adulterer reform and be married again? Candidly, do our Lord's words warrant such a conclusion? A preacher should not officiate in such re-

marriage unless the reformation is as notorious as the fall.

A husband and wife may for other causes than adultery separate and live apart, and be divorced in the civil courts *a mensa et thoro*, that is from bed and board, but they may not marry again unless the bond between them has been severed by the commission by one or the other of the sin of adultery, and then there may be a Scriptural as well as legal divorce *a vinculo matrimonii*, that is, from the bond of matrimony. No minister should officiate in the remarriage of either companion when there has only been a divorce from bed and board.

H. F. S.

Lower Pearl River Field.

I have just closed a precious meeting with the church at Napoleon. Bro. N. Breland came to my assistance and did the preaching from Saturday night to the following Wednesday night. He did good, faithful, effective work and the Lord honored his labors. On the following Sunday I baptized six (6) precious believers in the beautiful Pearl River. This makes nine that I have baptized at this place since I came down to this field in January last. I hope to have Bro. J. P. Culpepper to aid me in a meeting at Logtown and Bro. T. D. Bush at Pearlinton in November. Let every lover of Jesus join us in prayer for God's blessings upon these meetings.

W. M. REESE.

Napoleon, Oct. 26, 1903.

"The Ark of God Was Taken."

Unholy motives robbed Israel of God's presence. Defeat filled her cup, and Eli's sons were slain.

The Philistines had the Ark, but with it, curses. They had the wrong thing. It was God's Ark, and not theirs. God looks after His own.

The Ark was a symbol of God's presence. To have the Ark was to have His presence. But to have the Ark meant obedience.

Uzza died and David was greatly discomfited from lack of this. On men's shoulders must it be borne. The ox and the cart were intruders here. Later, David put the ox in the right place (sacrificed) and God's favor came and David danced with very great joy.

The ordinances are symbols. God gave them; shall we keep them? All say yes. Why so? Thus we curry Divine favor, for it is His wish. Then, how so? As He said.

Each symbol is a specific thing. Any other thing is not it. We preserve the symbol on account of that for which it stands, and herein is its value.

Dr. Eaton says: "The ordinances are not sacraments with which to cover sin." The Catholic saves you with the body (bread) of Christ, while you drink and are drunken and cheat your brother daily. He also baptizes to save you—a sacrament—not a symbol.

It seems it were better to hold the faith as given, and not to mar the face of Scripture. What think you, brother?

J. E. PHILLIPS.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON.

W. JAS. ROBINSON.

II SAM. 18:24-23—Nov. 8, 1903.

David's Grief Over Absalom.

Golden Text.—*A foolish son is a grief to his father.*—Prov. 10:1. "Foolish" here means what we mean by wicked. This proverb is an axiom. And very, very often the "foolish son" is only a logical result of a father's career. Any father who does less than make real sacrifices for God's glory may fully expect to rear "foolish sons."

24. *And David sat between the two gates.* For purposes of greater safety there were inner and outer gates. It was between these that David sat. Here were held audiences with judges, ambassadors, and kings; also the people met for council on special intercourse. And the watchman went up to the roof over the gate unto the wall, and lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold, a man running alone. Over the gate was built a watchtower, and here the watchman stood.

25. *And the watchman cried, and told the king.* David had the very first news. And the king said, *If he be alone, there is tidings in his mouth.* Had he been a refugee others would likely have been with him. And he came a pace and drew near.

26. *And the watchman saw another man running; and the watchman called unto the king, and said, Behold, another man running alone.* And the king said, *He also hath tidings.* All special messages were transmitted in those days by runners; and sometimes attained marvelous speed.

27. *And the watchman said, Me thinketh the running of the foremost is like the running of Ahimaaz, the son of Zadok.* This trusted watchman was well acquainted with David's couriers. And the king said, *He is a good man; and cometh with good tidings.* Ahimaaz being David's special messenger would not have cared to bring bad news.

28. *And Ahimaaz called, and said unto the king, All is well.* He knew these words would be full of meaning to the king. And he fell down to the earth upon his face before the king. Did he the reverence due him. Blessed be the Lord thy God, which hath delivered up the men that lifted up their hand against my Lord the king. Note the religious fervor prevailing among David's men; not so with Absalom's.

29. *And the king said, Is the young man Absalom safe?* In Absalom centered David's anxiety. And Ahimaaz answered, *When Joab sent the king's servant, and me thy servant, I saw a great tumult, but I knew not what it was.* This was likely an evasive answer.

30. *And the king said unto him, Turn aside, and stand here.* David wanted exact information. And he turned aside and stood still. A fine spirit of discipline.

31. *And Abishai, Cushai came; and Cushai said, Tidings for my Lord the king: for the Lord hath avenged thee this day of all them that rose up against thee.* Here

was no mincing of words, and no hesitancy to tell all.

32. *And the king said unto Cushai, Is the young man Absalom safe? And Cushai answered, the enemies of my Lord the king, and all that rise up against thee to do thee hurt, be as that young man is.* David knew it all from these words.

33. *And the king was moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate and wept.* A proper sense of propriety moved David to do this. And as he went, thus he said, *O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! would God I had died for thee, O Absalom, my son, my son.* David knew Absalom was not prepared to meet God; he also possibly felt that his own leniency had much to do with his son's recklessness. At any rate he was truly grieved.

Love Speaks Kindly.

There is power in kindness, whether in the manners, the words or deeds of life. But the greatest marvel is in the power of a loving, kindly spoken word. Every one is ready to do homage to the person possessed with a sweet and kind voice. It strikes us as something new and surprising among men. It is said that this was one of the most striking characteristics of Mr. Spurgeon, the great gospel preacher, who spoke perhaps as never man spoke.

Our actions, words, manners, and deeds, may be trained to deceive, but a kind voice must above all be true to a kind heart. The sweet modulated music of a kind heart cannot be imitated by an actor in the affairs of life. If not genuine they will be discords, strange discords too.

Yet how little of such perfect music is there in our homes, business, and society. How hard it is to get and keep a loving, kind voice; harder than to train the hand to kind deeds, the conduct to kind manners. Oh! that we would train our tongues to speak kindly every time we speak. There may be kind words without the sweetest of music upon them. We all know that love needs nothing so much as finely attuned voice, to tell its sentiments, interpret its yearnings, and give power to its beneficence.

One among the commonest defects I think with our people is that they fail to train themselves early in life. The defect of the average Christian is the lack of a well trained, kind voice. It is difficult work to most of us, because we begin this hard task too late in life, but let us remember that it will not come to us at any time without effort. It is much better that the parents teach the first lessons and thoroughly impress them upon the child's mind. Let the parents take the suggestion and make the task easier for their children. It is worth more than mines of wealth.

We ought to attune our lives to the harmony within, it indeed it is within. As the child at the piano is taught not only to give the right note, but sweetest possible expression of the tone, so the voice should be trained to its finest, possible utterance of the kindly sentiments within.

Sharp, shrill, loud, trumpet blast, belong to the natural man. They are the expressions of anger, passion, tyranny, and selfishness. Love seeks the soft, tender, sweet tones to bear her messages. How wrong then, for the Christian parent to indulge and to teach by example the children to use the unkind voice in the enforcement of truth. How imprudent for the preacher of the gospel of love to attempt to commend the love of God in harsh tones. Some of the best I know, in nearly every sermon, lets one or two of these flies drop into the precious ointment they offer. Why rave, rant, and thrust? The voice of a warrior may be and must be more or less domineering, rasping, and discordant; but there is no need for it, no excuse for it, in the homes, schools, churches, and in society, where love attunes the hearts and life to say, one is our Master and all we are brethren.

Then, let us speak kindly, with voices full of love, and point souls toward the cross, the essence of kindness, and make our homes palaces of continued joy and happiness, and after awhile our kindly heavenly Father will take us unto Himself, to sing forever His loving kindness in a world of perfection.

J. B. QUIN.

McComb City, Miss.

Retrospective.

Not of a life, but of, seemingly, a few days. I first registered in Norton Hall, Oct. 1st, 1893, expecting to stay four months. I stayed eight, unbroken. Bro. Cohron and I lodged together near the dining hall. J. W. Gillon, now in Texas, was a few doors down on same floor. Chas. Anderson—noble boy—now in heaven—Yarborough, and others of Mississippi, were on upper floors.

Bro. Webb Buckley, of Enterprise, (God bless him!) made it possible for me to stay to end of session. A few days ago Bro. Duncan spoke of his "live Sunday School" at E. It could hardly be otherwise under his touch.

Having spent the summer in meetings, I again registered in Norton Hall, Oct. 1st. Bro. Cohron said: "Draw on me to finish out the session," so, in 1895, I left with a "sheepskin," and turned in at Port Gibson for six years and a half. Eight years have now passed, adorned with "ups and downs," and I have again registered in Norton Hall, Oct. 1st.

In looking back over these years, shadowy places are evident, but in most part, are points evincing salvation's joys. It was our joy, under God, to build him a house at Port Gibson, and to augment the fold five times.

And at "Old Concord," the people put on strength and came to the "help of the Lord" in missions as never before.

Under present environments, several things claim attention. Among them: "Grounds of Theistic and Christian Belief," and we are tugging. Dr. Carver is at the helm—a most worthy pilot. Boys are still coming. Pray for us.

J. E. PHILLIPS.

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East McComb.

Yesterday was a good day for the East Side Church. The pastor preached to a good congregation at 11 a. m. At 3 p. m., the young people met in an enthusiastic meeting. After an address by the pastor on the "importance of Bible study in character building," a number of names were added to the roll. At 7:15 p. m., the pastor preached again and three were added to the church and collection \$102.50 were taken in good pledges for church completion. The Lord is greatly blessing us here. We have had this year up to date, 74 additions and others in sight. We believe that a better day awaits McComb. The South Side people have erected a beautiful little church with J. H. Lane as pastor, which means something for that section of the town. Spirituality is on the up-grade. The people are becoming more interested in heavenly things.

Bro. Pugh and the 1st Church with Bro. Butler of Natchez in the pulpit, have just closed a glorious meeting; following was the Methodist meeting, which did many good things for the town, whereof we are grateful to Him the author and finisher of our faith. We beseech the praying readers of THE BAPTIST to remember us at a throne of grace.

God bless THE BAPTIST editor, he is giving us a good paper.

Fraternally,

J. B. QUIN.

McComb City, Miss.

The Church at Graysport.

Graysport has had no regular church services for about three years. They have two churches, the Baptist and the Presbyterian. The Sunday-schools and prayer-meetings died out along with the preaching services. All religious exercises and activities seem to have ceased.

Last May A. W. Evans returned to Graysport after a long residence in Texas. He opened a little Sunday-school, which has been struggling along for awhile; and early in the month of October he came to Grenada with a request from Baptists and Presbyterians to have a meeting held there by one of the Grenada pastors representing these two denominations. The pastor of the Baptist church engaged with Bro. Evans to hold the meeting Oct. 22, 23, and 24. At the time thus agreed upon the meeting was held—six services. The people were as interested, appreciative, and responsive as one ever finds. A real revival of the church and the conversion of Miss Carrie Lambert, an orphan girl who joined the Baptist church, resulted. The Baptist church called Rev. A. C. Mason, of Jefferson, who is expected to accept the call and move to Graysport in December.

The loving people sent away the servant of the Master with a heavy pocket and a happier heart because of his presence with them. So worthy and appreciative a people deserve the fullest and choicest ministrations of the gospel, and I pray God they may now enjoy and sustain a good Christian ministry.

Yours most truly,

WM. F. ROBERTS.

THE BAPTIST.

Hattiesburg.

On the last Sunday in October the Columbia Street Baptist Church of Hattiesburg was organized. Brethren J. E. Davis and William Jones aided the writer in the organization. The Confession of faith prepared by Dr. F. H. Kerfoot for the Eutaw Place Baptist Church in Baltimore was adopted, together with a Church Covenant that holds up a high standard of Christian living.

Twenty secured letters from the First Church to go into this new church and some half dozen had letters from other churches, making, I think, twenty-six names in all. The church was organized with about one-half that number. Bro. M. J. Derrick was elected as pastor and Bro. J. B. Coursey clerk.

Columbia Street is about one mile west from the First Church and two squares beyond the P. & L. R. R. The church is situated in a growing part of the city. It will be a church of three hundred or more members in less than five years if the town continues to grow. Some of our best citizens live in that section.

A lot has been bought and paid for. Bro. Derrick has secured about \$1,200 in subscriptions for a church house. The plans are for a nice modest building until the church is strong enough to do better. Bro. Derrick is doing especially well as missionary pastor. The work of the Lord is prospering in his hands. He is a hard worker and the Lord is rewarding him.

We received seven members during the month of October. Several churches in the Lebanon Association united in sending a missionary box to the Indian Territory. This church's contribution to the box was something over \$100. Our contribution to the Orphan's Home, which will be furnished in a few days, will be between \$50 and \$75.

Yours in the Master's service,

I. P. TROTTER.

A New Church.

I write to give you a little news. A new Baptist church was organized at Prentiss Sunday afternoon of 3rd Sunday in October. The writer was aided by Bro. Drummond, who gave an instructive talk about the nature and purpose of the church. This new church called to its pastorate for 1904, Bro. T. J. Moore, of Leona, who was called by Bethany the day before. We hope for Bro. Moore to locate at Prentiss. Calvary and Montecello have called me for two Sundays each and that will be my field next year. I have been preaching to these churches once a month, one nine and the other seven years. The five churches for which I preached this year gave to missions \$625.00.

It is sad to part from these brethren, but the cause required it, and I am rejoiced over the prospect of Bro. Moore's coming to this field.

Yours,

J. P. WILLIAMS.

Great interest is still being manifested in the meeting at Clinton. To date, 43 have joined by letter and 32 for baptism. Nov. 3, 1903.

From Itta Bena.

We are to begin a meeting at Belzona on the 29th with Bro. W. P. Price, of Jackson, to do the preaching. I write this in order that the brethren of the State may pray for us there and then. Belzona has a bright future if her foundation is on God. There are four saloons, bank, oil mill, ice factory, and in a short time will have an electric plant and water works and also a large school building. The bank, oil mill, ice factory, water works and electric plant are managed by one man, who never rests on Sunday. All of this machinery is at work on Sunday as Monday. Besides there is much waywardness among the other business people. But there is some salt there—some consecrated people.

We are moving along nicely here at home—Itta Bena. Our meeting was conducted by Brother Wm. T. Tardy, of Dallas, Texas. He is a great preacher. He is sound, brave and true. We invited him back again.

AT MARYLAND.

Bro. C. E. Welch came to preach for us and did it well. We were led to love God more. We will never forget his ability as a young minister and his consecration. We had three to join by letter.

AT BEAR CREEK.

I had to do the preaching. I baptized three at the close and the church seems to rejoice in new hope and courage. This church is an evening appointment for me. Don't forget to pray for us at Belzona.

Yours in the cause we love,

WM. R. COOPER.

Raymond, Miss.

I write to say that on yesterday, Nov. 1st, Beulah Church, at Brownsville, Miss., more than paid all on the pastor's salary for the year. Every member present voted to increase pastor's salary \$25.00 for next year. They always pay the salary before the end of the year. How is this done? If I tell you, will you treat your pastor likewise? It is this:

1. They esteem the pastor very highly in love for his work's sake.
2. They, therefore, begin with January, and pay enough every month to pay up before December.

CHAS. L. LEWIS.

November 2, 1903.

Lawrence County Association.

I wish a word about Lawrence County Association. Its 3rd session was held with Whitesand on 3rd inst. All churches were represented, reports of work very good, there were \$850.00 given to missions during the year. We were much helped by the words of counsel from Brethren J. C. Farrar, T. J. Moore, J. R. G. Reeves, J. L. Johnson and others. The body was well officered with D. M. Lee, moderator; Wade Polk, Secretary; and J. M. Armstrong, treasurer.

The next session will be held with Antioch, 10 miles Southwest of Monticello, beginning Friday before 1st Sunday in October, 1904. Come to see us.

J. P. WILLIAMS.

"The Tree is Known By Its Fruit."

I am somewhat interested in your contention with the *N. O. Advocate* about the matter of an "unconverted church membership." To say that I am surprised that intelligent Methodist preachers should deny the fact that it is the practice, however adroitly they may with large words and bristling exclamation points attempt to explain away their theory, would scarcely express it. It is simply amazing. Is it not a historical fact that when the general conference—their great quadrennial legislative body—abolished the probationary relation that they left unchanged the conditions of membership? The probationary relation was invented as an expedient for getting more members and the principle is not the soul condition was "a desire to flee from the wrath to come," and the claim seen in pretty much as your man Willis that you quote, contends, that it brought them more directly in contact with the "means of saving grace" (?) It stands to reason therefore that when that relation—the probationary—was abolished and the conditions of membership left unchanged that unconverted and unsaved persons were received into full membership. I now recall three circumstances that support if they do not prove positively that your contention is quite true. The first is the statement of a well known Methodist minister of excellent character and high standing, official and otherwise. Soon after the abolishment of the probationary relation I went one night, to hear the brother preach and after the service we rode some miles together in the direction of home. On the way we talked, as old friends usually do, for we had known each other from our young manhood, and among other things the recent action of the general conference in abolishing the probationary relation, I enquired specifically, as I was interested, to know and he answered quite cordially that there was no change made as to conditions of membership and that only the time limit of six months was removed. "O course," he said, "the preachers would try to guard the point carefully and that if a person really desired to flee from the wrath to come," he was "not far from the kingdom." This is a pretty good keeping with my second reference, and that is that one of the main arguments made by the Methodist dissentant in that great newspaper controversy you mention was, that a "desire to flee from the wrath to come" was proof enough that the person applying for membership and so professing was *actually and already converted*. Of course that was a new view of the matter and never of during the whole tenure of the probationary relation and doubtless only invented as a subterfuge to escape out of the middle of a very narrow and rugged predicament and the thing did have the mean appearance of a dilapidated rooster after a pluck, maintained but unequal fight, scudging away to the bush with fallen comb, broken spurs and dismantled plumage. The other two third proof I mention is also of a personal character. The Metho-

dist preacher involved was also of high character and occupied the pulpit of a strong congregation in the second largest and most important city in one of our southern States. I was visiting socially a certain gentleman and his family, a popular and quite intelligent physician a few miles out of town in a fine country neighborhood whose wife was a member of the Methodist church, but himself of none, but really skeptical of the Bible and religion. In the course of our conversation he mentioned specifically that the above named prominent and representative Methodist preacher had been out to visit his family and had very earnestly urged him—the doctor—to join the church. He said, "When I told him that I was not converted he he replied that it was not necessary, that they would gladly receive me without conversion, and when I assured him that I was not only not converted but that was very much in doubt as to the divine authenticity of the Bible the divinity of Christ and even the being of God. Singularly enough he met it all with the statement that the church was the place for just such person, for there they would be taught the way of the Lord if they were willing, and also be convinced, and converted. He furthermore insisted that it was my duty to join the church, since my wife was a member, as an example for our children even though never be convinced or converted." He closed by saying that he demurred to the proposition made by the preacher saying that he "did not think it honorable to play the hypocrite even in a good cause, nor would God, if there be a God, use such duplicity as a means of grace in the conversion of his children, that he greatly preferred to leave them to the care of his bious and consistent Christian wife their mother and to the tender mercies of God himself."

I have given these instances as I remember them, now I am sure they are substantially correct. If they *practice* of Methodism does not justify the theories and polity thereof then how are we to know it is? It is an undeniable Bible truth that "the tree is known by its fruit."

Some Reflections.

I have thought for sometime that I would write you a rambling letter to just express myself about several things, but I have been having a tussel with fever, torpid liver, indigestion, etc. It all came just on the heel of eight weeks protracted meeting work. So I have been in the shop for repairs, making it lively for the entire family and all the neighbors. I am better at this writing and have begun to fill my appointments.

Well, to begin with, I have been unanimously called to three fields of labor in different parts of the State. Each field claimed that such action had been taken after much prayer and meditation, and that nothing but the leadings of divine providence could have brought about such unanimity of sentiment, and that it was clearly a door opened by the Divine Hand that I could not afford to treat otherwise

than with prayerful consideration. I have always believed in the leadings of divine providence and pray that my faith in it may never be shaken, but I very much fear that this claim is being badly overworked. Much that is called divine leading is nothing but human planning on the part of the churches or preachers or both. I fear that the Lord is accused by both preachers and laymen of doing many things in which He had no part. To illustrate: Bro. A. has heard that the church at C. is pastorless. He writes to the deacons, saying that he has been praying the Lord to direct him, that he felt himself drawn toward that field of labor, and that he is in a position to consider a call, and refers them to certain leading preachers of the State or if they should desire it, he would come and preach for them, etc.

Well, after a certain amount of triggering, he is called and accepts the work. He offers his resignation to his present charge and they receive it with a great string of ringing resolutions sent to the paper (if the preacher has little enough sense to allow it), expressive of their great grief at the loss of their good pastor, but bowing to the leadings of Divine Providence. (This they think they must do, though they are all in tears.)

To my mind this may all serve to advertise a preacher who is seeking a fat job, but it does not make people of sense believe that all the changing of preachers from different fields of labor is leadings of Divine Providence. In due time he moves to his new field and is met at the depot by a number of leading brethren, while the greater number of sisters have met at the preacher's home to receive him and his, and that night the town is out in full force to give the preacher a "pounding" that fills his larder to overflowing. All of this, if understood by the preacher, is to notify him that their estimation of a preacher is that they are all paupers and objects of charity, while the new preacher supposes that it is all due to the marvelous effect his trial sermon had upon the church and town. He is now fully convinced that the hand of the Lord has led him to the place he has been looking for, for years. Then look for another shower of letters from both pastor and some of his admiring flock. No preacher ever had such a church and no church ever had such a pastor. Nothing like it in all the earth. But alas! The Spirit guided, church is doomed to disappointment, for in a year or two at least they too are called upon to give up their good pastor, for he has been angling for another place with a larger salary. The offer comes and he feels that the Lord is directing him to a wider field of usefulness.

Just such a state of affairs as I have described is getting to be very common and is a fruitful source of many evils in our churches. A trap and a snare to many a weary preacher's feet and discouraging and misleading to many devout people and is at the bottom of much skepticism and unbelief on the part of the unconverted.

I do not mean to say that it would be wrong for a preacher ready for work and

in need of a field to let it be known in a general way, or to go and preach for a pastorless church, should the church invite him to do so. I have never done either, but I do not condemn such action, but what I am trying to impress is that preachers will plan and canvass and electioneer (or have some one else to do so) and then claim that it all came about by the leadings of Divine Providence, when in fact God has not been in any of it, so far as any one knows. What I plead for is, if God is to be regarded as directing the preacher in his choice of a field and the church in its choice of a pastor, to let Him run it and human agency just stand off. I have never in my life spent a moment in hunt of a field of labor or in having influential brethren secure one for me, nor do I ever expect to do so. Should I ever fail to have a field of labor offered me, without any solicitation on my part, I would decide that the Lord wanted me to rest awhile, and I would not hesitate to follow some business avocation of life to gain a support for myself and family until God in his providence opened up another field for me. And if he never did, I would take it for granted that my work as a minister of the gospel, as God saw it, was at an end.

Well I have had to decide after some weeks of waiting and praying, whether I should remain in my field at home, accept the work at Gulfport for full time or take Gloster and Zion Hill each for half time.

I have not so far as I know, had any expressions from the Lord as to what He would have me to do. If I know my own heart I was perfectly willing to do just what He would have done. I failed to get the much coveted light and after all I have had to decide, and will (D. V.) move to Gloster the first of next year. If I make a failure I shall not blame any one for it, nor will I lay it off on the Lord. I think the \$1,200.00 offered and home furnished, coupled with the earnestness on the part of all the members to have me come, has had a great deal to do with the decision. It is very hard indeed for me to leave my home at D'Lo, get away from my farming interests, and greatest of all—to leave the people among whom I was reared and to whom I have preached for 19 years without a single jar or dissenting voice, but the education of my children is upon me and I must give some attention to that for a few years.

The work has prospered at both Gulfport and Hansboro. Gulfport especially has had rapid growth and is now quite strong. They appeared very anxious to have me move there and serve them, but on the account of educating my children I declined. It is a fine field for the right man, but there is work for the one who goes.

The churches at Magee and Antioch are as good as the best in this part of the State. They have stood very close to me in the work and deserve a better pastor and preacher than I have ever been. All of these churches are looking for pastors, but let all preachers take notice. I am sure that none of the above named churches

will call a man who applies for the job. If they want you they will notify you.

Your brother in Christ's service.

J. R. JOHNSTON.

D'Lo, Miss., Oct. 22, 1903.

This and That.

The Executive Committee of the Chickasahay Association met at Enterprise on yesterday and organized. A committee of two consisting of Brethren Jno. L. Buckley and W. A. Roper, were appointed to do something with the Vossburg church property. They went down this morning to look after it. Bro. S. O. Y. Ray built this house when the N. O. & N. E. R. R. was first built, the membership have all died and moved away except one or two, the goats have been inhabiting the house for some time. The saints of Enterprise with their beloved pastor, Bro. Hackett, are carrying on a series of meetings, Evangelist E. B. Miller of West Point, is doing the preaching and they think doing it well. There was very good congregation last night and gave good attention, at the close one young man came up saying he had accepted Jesus as his personal Savior, one had joined the church. It now looks like there will be a Colporteur in the bounds of the Chickasahay Association after Jan. 1st, 1904. Dr. Hackett has been preaching to Enterprise church for fifteen years, and I never saw a man so universally loved by church and all denominations. I heard one of the sisters say if he had ever said or done anything at Enterprise that could be criticised she had never heard of it. There has been another circus to Meridian and a good many attended the circus and went to the theater that have their names on the church roll. I enjoyed THE BAPTIST this week as I do every week. I know you placed the responsibility of that young man being shot in a house of ill fame at the right place.

The legislature is responsible for every death from the effects of liquor sold under a license in Mississippi. Every officer that has taken the oath of office and winks at or permits a blind tiger to exist, perjure him self, and the town or city official that accepts a bribe from a house of shame or a booze joint is worse than the one that keeps the house or dispenses the booze. They are selling bitters in Enterprise that is put up in Mobile that makes drunk come and it is a violation of the law to sell anything that will intoxicate.

W. H. PATTON.

Shubuta, Miss., Oct. 23d, 1903.

Harmony Association.

Met with the Goodhope church on Friday 23 inst. After the reading of letters and the enrollment of messengers the body was organized by re-electing Dr. T. E. Morris moderator and T. G. Ward clerk. The appointee and his alternate both being absent, by request Rev. H. M. Whitten of the Kosciusko association preached to the satisfaction of the brethren.

The churches were well represented, and the usual reports were read and discussed by the brethren. The treasurer's report

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brought out the gratifying fact that there was considerable enlargement over last year's contributions. The amount reported exceeded \$700.00 and the brethren are hopeful of reaching the \$1,000 mark this year. "So mote it be." The Orphanage has a warm place in the affections of the brethren, and a collection was raised; but the amount is not recalled.

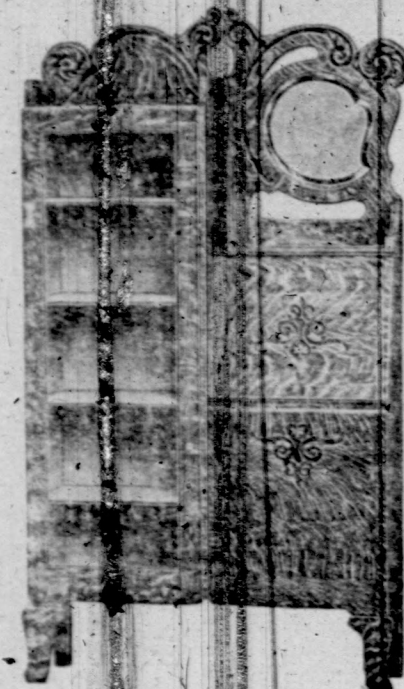
At the Sabbath services some \$20.00 was raised for missions. Two preaching services were held at 11 o'clock. Preaching by Whitten and Lucas. The entertainment was superb. Dinner served on the ground each day. The people vied with each other to make welcome their guests. The Lena High School under the patronage of the association was nearby, and many of the young ladies and gentlemen were present on Sabbath. The writer had the pleasure of preaching for the Lena Saints on Sabbath night. Rev. T. J. Moore, who has for many years been the efficient pastor here and who, by his untiring efforts, has been a prominent factor in establishing and maintaining the school, is just on the eve of removing to another field. The churches in the vicinity of Lena have decided to group together in sustaining a pastor. This is a good move, and will no doubt result in locating a good man on the field. Besides the local ministers there were present, H. M. Whitten, J. P. Hickman, J. D. Dunn, and O. M. Lucas. But enough.

O. M. LUCAS.

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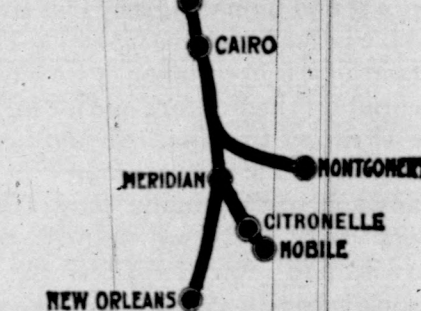
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Dr. Jones displays such zeal and anxiety for the welfare of his patients, and withal, such a happy disposition in their presence that confidence is at once inspired and doubt vanishes. This places them at once on the road to recovery. If the patient is willing to let any one prevent or destroy this confidence his absence is worth

more to Dr. Jones than his presence and money. He prays that the Lord will cause none to engage his services who will not be benefited thereby.

Though in his seventy-first year of age, yet with the vim and dash, and confidence in his own ability that has been characteristic of him since childhood, he gets a plenty to do and is well paid for it in money by his patrons and, while doing it, in love and thankfulness to God that his usefulness is maintained even past his three score and ten.

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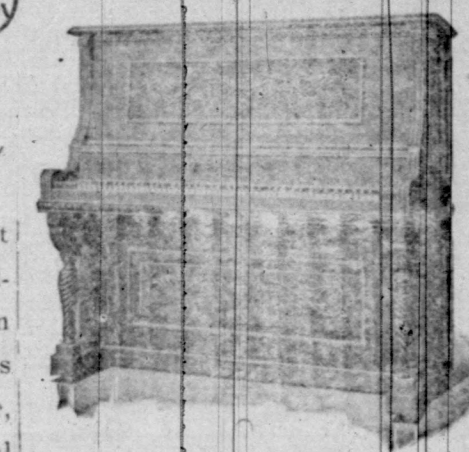
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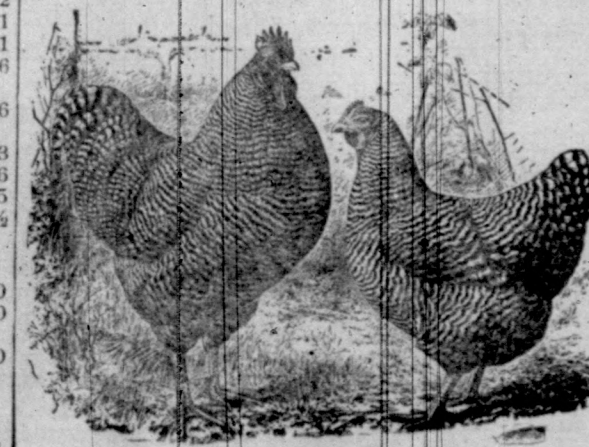
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The Daily Readings.

Monday 9. Habakkuk 1. Jehovah uses the Chaldeans to punish Judah. (vs. 1-17.)
 Tuesday 10. Habakkuk 2. Woes upon the Chaldeans. (vs. 1-20.)
 Wednesday 11. Habakkuk 3. Strong confidence in God. (vs. 18, 19.)
 Thursday 12. Zephaniah 1. The great day of Jehovah upon Judah. (vs. 14-16.)
 Friday 13. Zephaniah 2. Judah's enemies shall be punished.
 Saturday 14. Zephaniah 3. Israel is to be saved and saved. (vs. 17, 20.)
 Sunday 15. Prayer Meeting. How May We Help Abolish the Saloon? Ephesians 5:18-33. (Temperance Meeting.) Sunday School Lesson, David's Trust in God. Psalm 28.

Remember that the Mississippi Y. E. U. Convention meets at Meridian on next Tuesday (11th inst.) at 9 a. m.

Let those who will go via Jacksonville be on hand at 2:30 p. m., Monday, as the train leaves here at that hour.

Next week's BAPTIST for purchase.

The Railroads in Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana have authorized a rate of one-third fare for the round trip to the B. Y. E. U. Convention at Meridian, November 10-12. Pay full fare going; get a certificate from your local agent; get it stamped and signed by the Secretary of the Convention, and you will get your return ticket for one-third rate.

Psalm For Special Study.

Psalm 139 gives the following Psalms to be studied in connection with the Sacred Literature Course for 1903-4. The first two studies were introduced.

1. Thirsting for God. Psalms 42, 63, and 68.
2. Praise to God. Psalms 103 and 145.
3. Joy in God's house. Psalms 84 and 122.
4. Praising God. Psalms 103 and 145.
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12. Praising God. Psalms 103 and 145.

13. The Growing Kingdom. Psalms 47 and 72.
14. A Sense of Sin. Psalm 38 and 39.
15. Confessing Sin. Psalms 32 and 106.
16. Seeking Forgiveness. Psalm 51.
17. Conquering Sin. Psalm 130.
18. Wrestling with Doubts. Psalms 37 and 73.
19. Out of the Depths. Psalms 31, 77, 115.
20. Ideals of Goodness. Psalms 15, 131, 133.
21. Praying for the Righteous. Psalms 20, 125, 128, 134.
22. Praying Against the Wicked. Psalms 35, 69, 109.
23. The Ethics of Speech. Psalms 12, 52, and 120.
24. Ministering to the Needy. Psalms 41 and 82.
25. Hope of Unbroken Fellowship with God. Psalms 16, 17, 49.

Lumberton.

I am here this week with Bro. J. P. Culpepper. The meeting has begun well. The pastor had been holding prayer meetings in different sections of the town the week before the meeting, hence the members had the preparation of heart to begin with.

This is Bro. Culpepper's first year at Lumberton, and he has already received fifty members into his membership. Besides, over two hundred souls have been saved and baptized in meetings in which he has done the preaching this summer. He has been offered strong inducements to go elsewhere, but he and his members think that his work here is not yet finished. Pastor and people are now making ready to build a pastor's home on the lot they have purchased.

Fifteen years ago when I helped the invincible T. D. Bush on the line of this Railroad in meetings—most of this section then was in pine-timber, now those tall pines have given away, and new residences, school houses, mills and churches. Surely this is the land of push. Brethren Bush, Dale, Hewitt, Red, Williams, Trotter, Bowen, Derrick, and many others whose names I do not know are in this section busy about the Master's work.

J. H. L.

Mark 7:4.

In reading sometime ago my Twentieth Century New Testament I found Mark 7:4 to read thus: "When they come from

the market they will not eat without first sprinkling themselves." As all the copies of the Greek Testament I have use the word *baptizontai*, I was curious to know whether the translators had rendered this word by sprinkling or had followed some other Greek reading. So I wrote to make inquiry. For the information of others who may be similarly puzzled I send the answer for publication. It came on a postal card. I send verbatim copy:

10 GORDON ROAD, CLIFTON, BRISTOL, October 1.

DEAR SIR:—Many thanks for your letter. The word about which you ask in Mark 7:4 is *rantizontai* (not *baptizontai*) in the text of Westcott and Hort, from which our translation is made.

Sincerely yours,
A. W. LEONARD.

The Pulpit Commentary on the passage makes the statement that "two of the great uncials, Vatican and Sinaitic, have *rantizontai*, 'sprinkle themselves,' instead of *baptizontai*—an authority sufficient to justify the revisers of 1881 in putting it into the margin."

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Deaths.

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Mrs. J. C. Terry.

The many friends of Mr. J. C. Terry, who lived many years in Columbus, Miss., will be pained to learn that he has lost his wife, who passed away at the home of their son, W. H. Terry, here, on the 23rd inst. She was faithful to the last, and her death was a happy release from much suffering.

Mr. Terry is quite feeble and can not remain much longer.

M. M. Wood, Pastor.

Fayette, Ala.

Rawles, Wats, Hamilton.

Sister Ella Rawles died August 15, 1903. Sister Mary Wats died August 28, 1903. Sister Jane Hamilton died September 18, 1903. All faithful members of Central Church. Kind and gentle in their manners and consistent in their profession. They joined the church early in life and spent their lives in God's service. Each leaves a family, many relatives and friends who mourn for them.

J. E. Davis.

O. H. P. Jones.

Bro. O. H. P. Jones was born July 12, 1834. Died September 4, 1903. Age 69 years 1 month and 23 days. Was married to Miss Mary Bennett August 8, 1860. They lived in God's service and reared a large family, all of whom are members of the church. The youngest son is Rev. W. F. Jones, whose many friends will sympathize with him. Bro. Jones possessed faith early in life and was baptized by Rev. Wm. Shepard. He was a kind husband, affectionate father and consistent Christian and died in the triumph of a living faith. God bless the bereft.

J. E. Davis.

Mrs. Alice Ainsworth Biggs.

Mrs. Alice Ainsworth Biggs, wife of W. A. Biggs, was born September 6, 1874, and died October 15, 1903. She was born and reared at Palestine where she had many relatives and friends. Alice was a most obedient and lovable daughter, an affectionate sister, a devoted wife and mother and a very sincere friend. A friend to every one. As she grew to young womanhood she gave her heart to the Lord and was ever a consistent Christian. Always ready for every duty that came before her, and especially helpful to her Sunday School superintendent and teacher.

Good bye Alice, your seat is vacant but your influence will go on through eternity.

A FRIEND.

Mrs. Elizabeth Owings.

Sister Elizabeth Owings was born in Itawamba county, Miss., February 13th, 1847; professed faith in Christ and joined the church at Unity, in Itawamba county, in 1870. She married Deacon James Owings and became the mother of four children, all of whom are on their way to the realms of eternal bliss. Sister Owings was a devoted, every-day Christian. During her illness she would often raise her hands and rejoice in God, her Savior. She was a devoted wife, a loving mother, and a kind friend to all. She died a triumphant

death October the 21st, 1903. May we meet her after a while in our prayer.

W. F. D.

Sahillo, Miss.

Resolutions.

WHEREAS, Almighty God has seen fit to take, by death, from our number Mr. Howard Peyton, who was one of the best and most conscientious members of the 18th Military Company, therefore be it

Resolved, 1st. That we did esteem him one of the most promising men in our company, for which reason we the more regret to give him up.

2nd. That we feel very acutely the loss of our comrade and extend our heart-ilt sympathy to the bereaved family.

3rd. That we shall try harder, having lost him, to be most proficient ourselves that we may honor his character.

4th. That a copy of this be sent to THE BAPTIST, one to the Magazine and one to his parents.

J. E. WILLS,

J. Q. LANGSTON,

S. T. PILKINTON,

W. W. ATKINS,

R. D. POTTS.

Mrs. Myrtle Kent Coxwell.

This good woman was born in Macon, Ga., March 22, 1881, and died near Hazlehurst, Miss., September 15, 1903.

Reared by Christian parents she early learned to love and trust the Savior. At about sixteen she united with God's people and to the end was implicit in faith, zealous in obedience and sincere in devotion. Those who knew her took knowledge of her that she had been with Jesus. On December 22, 1901, she was married to Bro. Luther Coxwell. From the first she was a wife in the truest sense of the word.

Her last illness was somewhat extended and at times her suffering was intense, yet in it all she was patient and resigned. Though in the very flower of womanhood with bright prospects before her, she did not recoil at the thought of death. She said, "It is the will of God." When reminded of her virtues in connection with her future joy, she said, "It is Jesus that saves."

Having been, under God, a blessing to the world, she has left its sorrows and gone to be with the redeemed, where she awaits the coming of her Lord and the joy of her reward.

May He who made her what she was speak peace to the bereaved, calm a mother's heaving breast, and guide a grieving husband amidst his gloom.

BRYAN SIMMONS.

Louisville, Ky.

James Wilkinson.

On Saturday morning, October 24th, our town was shocked as perhaps it never was before by the accidental killing of James Wilkinson, a boy who was loved by the entire town and community. Jim, as he was familiarly known to us all, was born on the 11th day of May, 1885, about two miles south of Gloster, at the country home of the family, where he resided until about three years ago, when the family moved to town. About a year ago he united with the Galilee Baptist Church and has since that time been a consistent member.

He was a devoted and considerate son, an affectionate brother, a sincere and loving friend, and last, but by no means least, a noble Christian boy.

Soon after the removal of the family to Gloster the parents became so enfeebled in health that they could no longer support their family of small children, and Jim, the noble boy he was, took charge of the family, and right well did he return the parental care of his childhood, being a loving comforter to his invalid father and mother and a father to his younger brother and sisters.

When the sad hour of his death approached he was busily engaged in tagging some cotton when two men near by became involved in a difficulty and he, leaving his work, going toward them, hoping to separate them and maintain peace, received in his own breast the bullet intended for another. He ran about twenty-five yards and fell dying in the arms of his elder brother. His funeral at the Baptist Church was attended by doubtless the largest gathering of persons ever assembled in Gloster, attesting the universal esteem he enjoyed. We shall miss him sadly, and to the bereaved loved ones I will say, turn away from your anguish and look up to where the clouds are riven. On wings of faith ascend to heaven where God has given his angels charge. His friend.

Married.

Kenwrite-Tilghman.

October 14th, at the residence of Mr. R. J. Briscoe, Miss Tinsy Tilghman and Mr. W. B. Kenwrite were united in matrimony by the writer. May the blessings of heaven rest upon them.

J. McD. FRIBBLE.

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Woman's Central Committee:
Mrs. G. Hackett, President,
Mrs. W. R. Woods,
Secretary, Meridian.

Program.

November, 1903.

Subject: Mexico and Brazil.
Prayer: "I will not deny myself for Christ."
Reading of Hymns: "Stand Up, Stand Up, Jesus."

2. Christ's Doctrine of Service—Matt. 5:1-14; Matt. 7:12; Matt. 10:37-39; Luke 2:23-26; Matt. 20:27, 28. Special Instruction: John 4:35, 36; Matt. 9:37, 38; Gen. 1:21, 26.

3. Prayers by Leader.

4. Reading of Postals. These should be distributed a week before meeting after securing promise that each will be returned with some item regarding Mexico or thoughts on Roman Catholicism.

5. "Meanda Rankin."
6. 40 Minutes Song Service.

7. Minutes of Last Meeting, etc.

8. "Brazilian Brieflets."
9. "Persecution has only brought us blessing." Our plan for 1904 is to spread the truth into all the homes of the people of this State. The churches have combined to support our little paper called "The Missionary" to be distributed free. We are expecting great and glorious things. The present moment is precious in this State. Help us with your prayers.

10. "Prayer Service: That the devices of men may be overturned, and the Word of God rule in their stead."

11. "Closing Thought: Who is my Neighbor?" Luke 10:36, 37.

Dr. M. JOHNSON:

The annual meeting of the Woman's Mission Societies auxiliary to Lincoln county, formerly Fair River Association was

held with the Union Hall church Oct. 17.

It was one of the most entertaining and profitable meetings ever held. Our vice president, Mrs. Lula G. Maxwell conducted the devotional exercises. Miss Lula Mason delivered the address of welcome, and was responded to by Mrs. Lena M. Hobbs. Interesting and instructive papers were read by Mrs. R. J. Boone, Mrs. L. G. Maxwell and Miss May Higdon.

Five active societies were represented by letter and delegates and reported a total of \$375.34 raised during the year.

Dr. Carter of the Orphan's Home, favored us with an excellent address and told of some of the needs of the orphans. Pledges were made for seven suits of clothes for the boys.

Yours sincerely,
(Mrs.) L. P. KEES, Sec'y.
Brookhaven, Oct. 19, 1903.

Box Packing to Frontier Missionary of Copiah Association.

Representatives of the Woman's Missionary Union of Copiah Association were the guests of the Crystal Springs church the sixth inst., when they met to pack their annual box for a frontier missionary. Our new vice president, Mrs. Ellis, with her coterie of assistants met us at the train and gave us a cordial welcome. Dinner was soon ready and was served out of doors in the shade of the church. The Crystal Springs ladies know how to be both lavish and hospitable, for the table groaned with its burden of good things while the clatter of merry hearts and tongues kept time to the rapidly moving viands. After dinner we assembled in the church where a large box was in waiting to be filled with the contributions from the various societies. It was really an "unpacking" as well as a "packing" and as each society was called and brought up "her box" it was interesting to note how bountifully each member of the family had been provided for. It seemed that a little spirit of rivalry had taken possession of the societies and they vied with each other as to which could do the most in this worthy cause.

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Our substitute this year on the frontier is Rev. Rodrigo Cruz, of Flareville, Texas, and Dr. Gambrell wrote he was a worthy brother. How his heart will rejoice when that magnificent box reaches him! One lady remarked it was worth a trip to Texas to see him open it. Our thanks are due the Crystal Springs ladies for a most delightful day, long to be remembered for the haloed influence emanating from loving deeds of kindness done to others and may God shower blessings upon this noble band of women and keep them as in the hallow of His hand, always faithful to Him whose they are and whom they serve.

(Mrs.) J. D. GRANDBERRY.

Shuqualak.

The Woman's Mission Society has just celebrated their annual "Box packing day," and it was indeed one long to be remembered.

The missionary to whom our box was sent, is Rev. W. F. Harris of Vernon, Texas, away out in the Pan Handle. This good brother wrote us a most intelligent and manly letter, in which he told us of his work, and his family and their needs. There are, our brother, his wife, and seven children; and the box which went to them was full of dry goods of every kind

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The men in our church nobly assisted us, and to them a large part of the contents of the box is due.

Our pastor, Rev. E. W. Spencer, was on hand to do the packing, to lead in praise and thanks, giving service.

We thoroughly enjoyed getting up the box, and our ladies are more and more in love with their society, and work with more and more zeal for every object presented to them.

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I. M. S.

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It is sad at any time that Christians should drink intoxicants, but that they should make the Master's birthday the one day of all the year for indulging in such sin is unspeakable. Brother, if you are going to do sinful or even doubtful things, in the name of decency select some other day. Don't add insult to injury by selecting the Master's birthday for a day of special sin.

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Personal.

Brothers sell Weber Wagons. Dwight L. Moody, relict of the late Moody, died last week at her home.

Brothers sell all kinds of Harness. Lamar, widow of the late Hon. L. Lamar, died at her home in Georgia last week.

Brothers sell Columbus Buggies. Willis Sisk and Eva Ecanon were married on Thursday, October 1st, 1903, at Pickens, Miss.

Brothers sell Chattanooga Wagons. Editor of THE BAPTIST supplied for Pastor Yarborough at the First Church last Lord's Day, morning and evening.

Brother Church has recalled Bro. W. for next year with a raise of salary \$25. This is a move in the right direction.

Johnson opened the 66th session with the largest attendance in the history of the institution. The present enrollment is 250.

Brothers sell Weber Wagons. Pastor Price and Pastor Yarborough are absent from the city in meeting the former at Belzona, and the latter at Laurel.

Brothers sell all kinds of Harness. Miley removes from his old home in Dayton, and goes to Taylorsville. His correspondents will take note of a change of address.

Brothers sell Weber Wagons. A. Lomar died in the Yalo institution during his parental forty years only two people were to him asking for some thing.

—Brown Brothers sell Columbus Buggies.

—THE BAPTIST acknowledges receipt of an invitation to be present at the marriage of Miss Carrie E. Smith, of Pulaski, Va., to Rev. M. R. Cooper, Wednesday evening, November 11th, 1903, at 8:30 o'clock.

—Brown Brothers sell Chattanooga Wagons.

—The Brookhaven Church will go to full time, beginning next January. They have been using only one-half time. This will give Pastor Purser some valuable advantages, as all of his time will be given to this one church.

—Dr. Hackett writes: "Bro. E. B. Miller is with us here in Enterprise in a meeting of large promise. Good congregations are present at each service and very encouraging interest manifested up to date, Wednesday noon."

—Bro. R. A. Kimbrough, Tupelo, Miss., has just returned from Dyersburg, Tenn., where he helped Rev. G. H. Crutcher in a meeting of ten days. J. A. Brown was the singer. Thirty-five additions to the church and forty or more confessions. A fine meeting.

—The meeting at Clinton has been in progress more than a week. Last Lord's Day nineteen were baptized. There seems to be a very deep and widespread interest in both the town and student bodies. Bro. McComb is doing the preaching, and it seems that the Lord delights to honor him in his work.

—Rev. A. C. Watkins and family are temporarily located in Jackson. They left Torreon, Mexico, in August, and are in the States for recuperation of broken health. We are glad to learn that Mr. Watkins is improving nicely. We hope both Brother and Sister Watkins will, after a few months' stay with us, be entirely themselves again. They have done

a great work, and we trust they may be permitted to continue the same.

—Dr. B. D. Gray, our Home Mission Secretary, spent a few minutes in our office Monday en route to Dallas, where the great Texas convention will convene this week. He is in fine health and spirits, and impresses one as being an ideal secretary. His reception wherever he goes is highly gratifying to every lover of our great Home Mission work. He will go from the Texas convention to the Arkansas convention, which will convene on the 13th inst.

—L. P. Leavell, of the Sunday School Board, gave last week to Louisiana towns on the L. C. R. R., visiting Kentwood, Independence, Hammond, Amite City and Osyka, holding institutes of a day at each place. Bro. Leavell reached Brookhaven for Sunday and made six addresses, four to the church and Sunday School, one each to the B. Y. P. U. and Y. M. C. A. A teachers' meeting was organized in the Baptist church and a house-to-house canvass in the town.

—We note in the November number of the International Sunday School Evangel that Mississippi will have nine representatives on the "Cruise of Christians" to the World's Sunday School Convention at Jerusalem, March 8 to May 18, 1904. They are: Miss Elizabeth Streeter, Black Hawk; Mr. and Mrs. W. S. P. Tatum, Bonhomie; Rev. G. R. Ellis, Brooklyn; Dr. and Mrs. H. M. Syderstricker, Corinth; F. C. Lotterhos, Crystal Springs; Mrs. E. P. Neville, McComb; James B. Leavell, Oxford.

—Nowadays new ideas in prize competitions are few and far between, but the Woman's Home Companion has hit upon something entirely novel, both in serial stories and prize contests. The editor asked four well-known authors to write a four-part serial treating of a

beautiful Chicago heiress and her three admirer—an English lord, a New Yorker and a Chicago man. The various parts were well on to conclusion when it was found that the authors could not agree upon the man the heiress should marry. In this strait the editor decided to call on his readers for assistance, and to spur their interest a substantial prize is offered for the best solution.

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